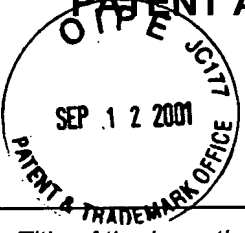


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## AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

In response to the first Office action mailed May 11, 2001, a one-month extension of time for response being requested, please amend the subject patent application as follows:

### In the Claims:

Please cancel claims 1-7 without prejudice or disclaimer, and substitute therefor new claims 8-24 as follows:

--8. A radio communication system, comprising:

a radio unit connected to a transmitter-receiver antenna, said radio unit measuring a field intensity level and a circuit quality value of a radio communication signal of a call received from a base station; and

a control unit which compares either or both of the measured field intensity level and circuit quality value with respective predefined default thresholds, sends a handover instruction to said radio unit to commence a handover operation to transfer said call to another base station if at least one of said measured field intensity level and said circuit quality value is below its respective default threshold, and lowers at least one of said default thresholds when said handover operation fails to transfer said call to another base station.

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